IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Civ. No. 11-1148

Plaintiff,

HON. ROBERT HAYES SCOTT

MAGISTRATE JUDGE

\$35,000.00 IN UNITED STATES

CURRENCY

v.

Defendant.

VERIFIED CLAIM OF INTEREST OF LONNELL KIRKMAN IN DEFENDANT PROPERTY

Pursuant to Rule G(5), Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, Fed. R. Civ. P., Lonnell Kirkman (hereinafter "claimant"), under penalty of perjury, makes this claim of interest in Defendant property.

- 1. The "res" or property in which claimant has interest is \$35,000.00 in U.S. currency currently believed to be in the possession of the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, most likely in the Albuquerque Field Office and believed to be separated into two bundles. Said property was obtained by DEA Special Agent Jarrell Perry on approximately August 12, 2011.
- Claimant has an interest in the defendant property in that claimant was in actual and constructive possession of the two bundles of currency on August 12, 2011 and was dispossessed of actual and constructive possession of the defendant property by SA Perry.

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Wherefore, claimant asserts that his interest in defendant property is superior to

that of plaintiff and said property should not be forfeited to the United States.

Lonnell Kirkman hereby declares under penalty of perjury and the laws of the

United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct, except as to matters stated

on information and belief, and as to those matters are believed to be true.

Dated: February 22, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

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A copy of the foregoing was served via electronic mail on Stephen R. Kotz,

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cynthia.weisman@usdoj.gov, and was also sent via U.S. mail to Assistant United States

Attorneys Stephen R. Kotz and Cynthia L. Weisman, P.O. Box 607, Albuquerque, New

Mexico 87103-0607, this 22nd day of February, 2012.

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February 22, 2012

Clerk of Court United States District Court For the District of New Mexico 333 Lomas Blvd N.W., Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

> RE: <u>United States of America v. \$35,000.00 in United States Currency;</u> Case No. Civ 11-1148; Honorable Robert Hayes Scott Magistrate Judge

Dear Clerk of Court:

In regard to the above-captioned case enclosed for filing please find the original and one (1) copy of the *Verified Claim of Interest of Lonnell Kirkman in Defendant Property*.

Please return a time stamped copy in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Your assistance is appreciated. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

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